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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 1-3

Major Part B for May 05

SUBJECT.

Pension and arrears of pay to
Sir Peshkar Raghavendra Rao.

To. C. Commandant. ^{2126 D 5-105} Forward a copy of the Dewan's Res. in the Case of Sir Peshkar Raghavendra Rao with Reg. to carry out such of the above instructions as are applicable.

From. C. Commandant. 2240 D 3.3.05 Forward copy of Report No 384 D 28.2.05 from the Commandant I.S. Reg. regarding the Retirement of Raghavendra Rao on pension & Reg. early sanction

To. Comptroller } 385th 5 D 22.5.05. Direct the
C. Commandant } 14th Retirement of the Sir Peshkar Raghavendra Rao with certain observation

Indra
D. H. Rao

Memo No 41-23
E. 1. file -

The accompanying file contains all the available papers referring to the case of Peishcar Raghavendra Rao.

I have carefully considered the papers and cannot arrive at any conclusion regarding his guilt or innocence. The accounts are said to be a mass of confusion and lead to no result. But it is not intended that case by Court-Martial.

Note
at the commencement a preliminary enquiry was held by the Officers of the I.S. Regiment and on their finding the Chief Commandant applied for sanction to try the case by Court-Martial.

The Subaltern had never any control over money or property of it. A double set of accounts must have been kept but from them in complete confusion and in manner in which they have been kept they give no conclusive information. The Subaltern and another mentioned would never have kept the two keys and the latter was handling the money. If there is a discrepancy in the balance I find it impossible to hold the Subaltern exclusively responsible for it. To find out whether it was the system in vogue or the method of work adopted in this Regiment alone which was so confusing and unsatisfactory I got a thorough audit made of the accounts of L.S. Regiment, but the confusion seems

The Dewan having however considered the finding of the Court of Enquiry as faulty ordered the formal audit of the accounts by the Comptroller (vide Serial No 2) on the result of which charges were to be framed against the writer. No Court-Martial was however held pending the Dewan's orders on the Audit Report.

N.B. The enquiry papers were returned to the Chief Commandant. (vide S 2.)

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Assistant Secretary
Military Department.

23-VII-'04

to be local and is in my opinion
due to the lack of control on the
part of the segment - It will
be unfair to charge the Senator
alone ~~to~~ with embezzlement
in the absence of any satisfactory
evidence & from the ^{fact} that there
is a deficiency of money in the
actual balance - so don't attempt
made to ~~very~~ make the figure
of the account correspond with the
actual balance on hand is as re-
marked by the ^{comptroller} ~~an~~
- satisfactory, ^{feature} ~~but~~ ^{against the Senator} ~~this~~ ^{circumstances}
is not ~~inconsistent with the~~
in ~~complete~~ ^{completable} title with the support
that he did so not because he
embezzled ~~bestowed~~ the money
over which he had no control or
of which he had ^{no} possession but in
order to make his accounts cor-
-form to the actual balance - In
other words I am of opinion that
this fact by itself is not sufficient
or conclusive to support a finding
that he is guilty of ~~releasing~~ any
thing more than negligence in
the keeping of accounts or that
he did not keep correct accounts
It strikes me that in the matter of
these money ~~travels~~ ^{accounts} the seg-
-ment does not seem to be res-

franchise - ~~the~~ ~~credit~~ - ~~no~~

If this man has completed
service & ^{is} eligible for pension the
best way to deal with him is
to re-employ him - & this absolute
disposal is not called for as
the fruit of embezzlement is
not established -

After this matter is decided
before the ~~fact~~ proposals of the
Comptroller & of the military
staff regarding the audit &
his business of any may consider
the defects and irregularities ^{to}
be brought by the auditing of the U. S.
Department are such that they should
not be allowed to continue any
longer - The Comptroller should have
the accounts ~~at~~ audited once in
six months till other arrangements
are effected - The military staff
Personal staff both they could
and the Comptroller will ~~organize~~
organize a system of accounts
to be kept in the military office
which should be subject to periodic
audits and examinations regular
The instructions of Mr. Keenan
in ^{his} report ^{would be attended}
to ^{but there is not much which relates to this report}
The papers ^{of} the ^{propos}

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MEMORANDUM
MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

TO THE DEWAN OF MYSORE
FOR ORDERS.

No. 115
in file

DATED 27 January 1905.

SUBJECT.

Case of Sir Peishkar
Raghavendra Rao.

As requested by the
Private Secretary to H.H. the
Maharaja of Mysore, in the Return
of Petitions for December 1904
submitted by this Office, I beg
to forward the accompanying file
connected with the above case
for favor of transmission to the
above officer for His Highness'
information.

Orders in the terms of
the Dewan's note of the 28th
December 1904 have been issued to
the Officers concerned.

R. Jones

Lieut. Col.

Military Assistant.

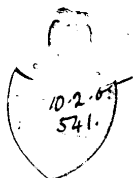
Re

Record of Case submitted for the orders
of His Highness the Maharaja.



Subject.

Papers connected with the memorial of Sir
Peishkar Raghavendra Rao.



Order.

I sent for these papers because of the
extraordinary delay - practically three
years - that has occurred in the disposal
of the Case. The file speaks for itself. But I
shall be glad to know the steps taken to put
regimental expenditure & accounts on a satisfied
footing.

~~KRW~~
9/2/05

Circulate these papers
with the other file to
the Comdants
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MEMORANDUM
MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

TO THE DEWAN OF MYSORE
FOR ORDERS.

No

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DATED Bangalore 8 May 1905

SUBJECT.

Case of Serpeishkar Ragha-
vendra Rao of the Imperial Service
Regiment.

In pursuance of your order
dated 28th December 1904 in the above
case which was communicated to the
Chief Commandant, that Officer sup-
ports the following recommendation
of the Officer Commanding the I.S.
Lancers viz that:-

1. The SerPeishkar should be retired
on his present service of 20 years &
7 months.
2. That he should be given only
half-pay for the period he was under
suspension.
3. That the other half should be
given to the Substitute who did his
work while under suspension.
4. That the amounts due by him on
account of advances drawn should be
deducted from his half-pay.

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10.5.05

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Letter No 444 6/ 27/29th March
1905, from the Regtcar I.S.L.
to the Chief Commandant.

It is also reported that credit
for a sum of Rs 365-10-10 has not been
given by the SerPeishcar in the Regi-
-mental Accounts. This will also
have to be deducted from his half-pay
if he is not able to account for it
satisfactorily.

The Comptroller to whom I refer-
-red the matter for opinion reports
that a claim for full pay for the
period of suspension is tenable only
in the case of a person honorably ac-
-quitted after enquiry. But in the
present case taking into considera-
-tion all the circumstances connected
therewith and the long period of sus-
-pension the Comptroller thinks¹⁰ fair
that a moiety of the salary should be
given to the SerPeishcar.

The favor of early orders solli-
-cited.

W. J. S.

Lt. Col.

Military Assistant.

W. J. S.
by 35
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From

Lieut. Colonel A. Jones I.R.

Military Assistant to the Secretary of State

File No.

Lieut. Colonel A. Jones I.R.

SERIAL No.

Chief Clerk, U.S. State Troops.

Sir,

With reference to the case of Sir-Peishan, I have the honor to enclose herewith a copy of the Department's report in the case and to request that you will kindly take the necessary steps to carry out all of the instructions as are applied to the Sir-Peishan.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient servant

Al Jones

Ch. Sec.

Military Assistant.

Re
Copies of extracts from Deuani's order
out -

Dewan's orders dated 28-XII-04 in the case of Serpeishcar Pajha-
-vendra Rao of the I.S.Be,t.

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I have carefully considered these papers and cannot arrive at any conclusion regarding his guilt or innocence. The accounts are said to be a mass of confusion and lead to no result. But it is not disputed that the Serpeishcar had never any control over money or possession of it. A double set of accounts seems to have been kept but from their incompleteness and the confused manner in which they have been kept they give no conclusive information. The Be,t dar would seem to have kept the two keys and another Duffedar was handling the money. If there is a discrepancy in the balance I find it impossible to hold the Peishcar exclusively responsible for it. To find out whether it was the system in vogue or the method of work adopted in this Be,t alone which was so confusing and unsatisfactory I got a thorough audit made of the accounts of Local Service Be,t also but the confusion seems to be local and is in my opinion due to the lack of control on the part of the Be,t mentdar. It will be unfair to charge the Peishcar alone with embezzlement in the absence of any satisfactory evidence and from the only fact that there is a deficiency of money in the actual balance. No doubt attempts made to make the figures of the account correspond with the actual balance on hand is as remarked by the Comptroller an unsatisfactory feature against the Peishcar but this circumstance is not incompatible with the supposition that he did so not because he embezzled the money over which he had no control or of which he had no possession but in order to make his account conform to the actual balance. In other words I am of opinion that the fact by itself is not sufficient or conclusive to support a finding that he is guilty of anything more than negligence in the keeping of accounts or that he did not keep correct accounts. It strikes me that in the matter of their money transactions the Be,t dar does not seem less responsible.

If this man has completed service and eligible for pension the best way to deal with him is to retire him. His absolute dismissal is not called for as the guilt of embezzlement is not established.

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No. 2240 Quet

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8-3-05

Office of the Chief Commandant,

Mysore State Troops,

Dated 9th March 1905.

From

The Chief Commandant,
Mysore State Troops

To -

Lieut-Col. R. G. Jones, I. A.

Military Assistant to the Govt of Mysore

SECTION	<i>M. Li.</i>
FILE No.	<i>2240</i>
SERIAL No.	

Sir

With reference to your letter No. 2126 dated 5th January 1905, I have the honor to forward herewith, copy of report No. 384 dated 28th February 1905 from the Commandant, Imperial Service Regiment, regarding the retirement of Sir Peishkar on pension and to request that you will kindly obtain the sanction of Government at an early date to give effect to the suggestions of the Commandant which seem to me quite equitable under the circumstances stated by him.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,



Lieut-Col.

Offg: Chief Commandant,

Mysore State Troops.

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1905

From *The Commandant*
Imperial Service Schools

To *The Chief Commandant*
Mysore State Troops
Bangalore

Dated 28th }
Despatched 28th } February

Received

1904-05

General No. 384
No.

Enclosure No. *nil*

Sir,

In acknowledging
the receipt of your
No. 1890, dated 30th ultimo
18th Instant,
with 2 Copies of the
Correspondence on the
subject of *Ser Pishka*,
Raghavendra Rao's
retirement on pension,
I have the honor to
report that repeated
warnings

to clear up the long standing arrears of
accounts, having had no effect on him
his pay was stopped, as per instruction
contained in your English No. 377
of the 27th May 1899, in spite of all
these steps taken he did not clear
his arrears till after his reinstatement
in June 1901. Seeing his indifference in
discharge of his legitimate duties I did
not get the charge handed over to him
after his reinstatement but directed him
to clear all his arrears and bring the accounts
to current, (vide my report No. 77 dated 21st
September 1901). He attended to the above work till
his suspension on the 26th September 01 & failed
to keep and prepare correct accounts.

Under these circumstances I recommend
to put him on pension on his present service of
20 years and 7 months, and invite your kind attention
to your No. 2096 of the 20th March 02 & request to
kindly sanction to pay half of his pay to the man who
worked for him in the Regiment since his first retirement
in April 01 & to disburse the remaining half to him after
deducting the advances &c. due by him as per debits & credits
made in the Cash Books.

D. Hane & Co.

Ad. V. D. Kaping

Regimental Bank

Commandant

Imp. Service Lancer

W. H. H. H. H.
Personal Secy.

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Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore
Military.

Read:-

Correspondence ending with the Military Assistant's Memo
No 213 dated 8th May 1905 regarding Ser Peishkar Raghavendra Rao
of the Imperial Service Regiment under suspension.

ORDER THEREON No 3854-5
Dated Bangalore 22 May 1905 194

FILE NO. 144
SERIAL No. 3

1. Government direct that the Ser Peishkar be retired on pension with effect from the date of this order.
2. That the period of his suspension be reckoned as pensionable service.
3. That half pay be granted during the period he was under suspension subject to the recovery of any money due by him to the Regiment.
4. That, if no substitute was appointed to do the Ser Peishkar's work, the balance of his pay be credited to Government.

~~EDY B. M. Jones~~

W. Jones Lieut. Col.

Military Assistant.

To

The Controller to the Government of Mysore.

The Chief Commissary at Mysore State Troops.

No 38562/22/5/05

Copy to the Secretary to the Government of Mysore

General & Revenue Departments.

Lieut. Col.

Military Assistant.